Application No. 10/697,193
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## **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0062] with the following amended paragraph:

[0062] A further advantage is provided by the nozzle 84 and air cap 94 being relatively thin and having respective tapers 117, 119 at their respective downstream ends. The air cap taper 119 has a conical cross-section profile formed by a conical and tapered inner surface 113 and a conical and tapered outer surface 118, thereby allowing the air cap 94 to permit access to tight and hard to reach locations. In addition, during the deposition process, assist air currents can bounce off of the substrate and be reflected back toward the nozzle 84; however, the thin and tapered design deflects those reflected assist air currents away from the nozzle distal end 87 and air cap distal end 115. The thin and tapered design also minimizes an accumulation of atomized droplets of conformal coating material on the nozzle that bounce back from the substrate toward the nozzle. Further, the air cap taper 119 places the air cap orifice 121 further downstream than other structure of the air cap 94 and thus, facilitates automated cleaning of the air cap distal end 115 and orifice 121